

AGENDA



RCA - CLMD	Austin City Council	Item ID:	6519
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Meeting Date:	May 26, 2011
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Department:	Contract and Land Management
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with CASABELLA ARCHITECTS (MBE /MH - 69.16%), Austin, TX, for architectural services for sign design and a parking study for the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center in the amount of \$69,959, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,653,659.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010 - 2011 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	November 19, 2010 - Approval of amendments # 6 - #9; August 19, 2010 - Approval of Ordinance 20100819-033; June 21, 2007 - Approval of amendment # 5; October 20, 2005 - Approval of amendment # 3; August 1, 2002 - Approval of amendment # 1; April 26, 2001 - Approval of Phase 1 design services; January 13, 2000 - Approval of consultant selection.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with 79.29% MBE and 4.70% WBE subconsultant participation to date.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

In November of 2006, voters approved an addition to the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center (MACC) located at 600 River Street. This addition was a significant step in achieving the vision outlined in the Master Plan that was completed in 2000. CasaBella Architects, the prime architectural firm for the original facility, worked on this addition, which was called Phase 1A. The design principles of MACC Phase 1 were carried out in order to maintain design harmony and aesthetics. Phase 1A was completed in the spring of 2010. The original building was completed in June of 2007.

This authorization will also provide a preliminary analysis of the facility's parking requirements in order to alleviate the current parking congestion. The project is located in zip code 78701.

In August of 2010, Council approved ordinance 20100819-033 to rename the Mexican American Cultural Center after the late Emma Barrientos, a longtime community organizer who worked for decades to make the center a reality. Council voted unanimously to rename the center the "Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center". This additional authorization will allow for design services to change the facility signage while maintaining the harmony and aesthetics of the building.